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## TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Renter's Service to the China Mail)

### MORE BELFAST RIOTS

ONE CONSTABLE AND THREE CIVILIANS KILLED.

CURFEW ORDER RE-IMPOSED.

LONDON, September 26.

As the result of renewed rioting in Belfast early this morning, one constable and three civilians were killed, and two constables were seriously injured. Other disturbances in many districts were fierce and some throwing of stones took place. The curfew order is being reimposed.

VICTIMS OF SHOOTING.

It appears that civilians fired on a police patrol. One constable was killed and two wounded before the attack was repelled. Three civilians were killed, apparently as the result of sniping during the subsequent disturbances. Altogether six persons were sent to hospital. A number of other injured persons were treated in their own homes.

STARVING MAYOR ISOLATED.

LONDON, September 26.

Mr. McSwiney day and night up to the present has had one relative or another keeping constant vigil at his bedside. It is reported that the authorities have withdrawn the privilege and that Mr. McSwiney has been removed from the ward where he has been forty days and transferred to a special room carefully guarded. Relatives are permitted to speak to the patient through the bars of a locked door.

### NEW FRENCH PRESIDENT.

MILLERAND ELECTED ON HIS OWN TERMS.

STRONG DEPARTURE.

LONDON, September 26.

A striking departure in connection with M. Millerand's election, which passed almost unheeded here, is the fact that he was elected upon his own terms and not as a figurehead. He intends in the future, by reviving a number of powers which the Constitution gives to the President, but which for a long time have remained practically a dead letter, to be the actual chief director of the State and its policy. For example M. Millerand holds that Article VIII of the Constitution affords the President power to negotiate and ratify a treaty. Hence it is thought he is likely to take an active part in the direction of France's foreign policy.

### PREMIER OVERSHADOWED.

It is declared that he is likely to overshadow the Premier much as the American President dominates the Cabinet. The new President is in a position of almost monarchical authority and prestige as such are known in countries where the Crown actively participates in the direction of affairs. Any way, it is confidently anticipated that the changes will but help to solidify Anglo-French relations.

### SOCIALIST UPROAR.

PARIS, September 26.

The Chamber, except the Socialists, heartily applauded M. Leygues' ministerial declaration. An uproar was caused by the Socialist, M. Bracke, suggesting that M. Millerand had chosen the Ministers, which M. Leygues hotly repudiated. The Socialist, M. Berthoin, inquired whether the Government intended to co-operate with Labour, and complained that many Trades Unionists had been imprisoned for weeks and months without trial in order to break the strike for the nationalisation of transport.

### APPEAL FOR UNION.

M. Leygues declared that France could never forget Russia's immense services at the beginning of the war. France did not intend to interfere with Russia but material aid for the reconstruction of Poland was in accordance with French tradition. He asserted that the Chamber had approved by a large majority the previous Government's Labour policy and appealed for union on the home front.

The session closed with a vote of confidence.

### BOLSHEVIEK JEWELS.

ENORMOUS PLAN TO RAISE FUNDS.

WORLD PROPAGANDA.

LONDON, September 26.

The Observer makes disclosures revealing that the Daily Herald and the Russian jewel transactions are but an infinitesimal part of an enormous Russian plan to raise funds for world wide propaganda by the systematic confiscation throughout Russia of all jewels. M. Kamenev originated the scheme in April of 1918, which was elaborated by a Polish diamond merchant, involving a house to house search and the confiscation of jewels. These were to be carefully graded and selected parcels sent throughout the world for disposal in a pre-arranged and careful manner. Germany and America have already had a large share, while a number of parcels have already been sold in Japan, France, England and Holland.

### DISCOVERED THROUGH STUPIDITY.

The discovery of the Herald's transaction was due to the stupidity of the agents insisting on payment in English currency. Moreover several recent visitors to Russia from England have already returned with Bolshevik propaganda and jewels. The Soviet jewel department is very active in the east and Kewalpassa already has a number of beautiful stones.

### AEROPLANE SMASH.

FIVE PERSONS KILLED OUTRIGHT.

SOLE SURVIVOR UNCONSCIOUS.

LONDON, September 26.

In the aeroplane smash (mentioned in the earlier cables) five were killed outright when the machine crashed within five minutes of leaving Northolt Aerodrome. There was a slight mist. The flight was a short trial spin preparatory to the afternoon passenger flight and the victims were being given a complimentary free flight. The sole survivor is a girl of fourteen who lies unconscious. One of those killed was Miss Isolda Detmold, the first woman aviator to pass the Air Ministry's tests. She was called "The Flying Genie" and was accustomed to do all the stunts.

## THE DOLLAR.

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## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Renter's Service to the China Mail)

### FRENCH COLONIAL POLICY.

PARIS, September 25th.

An important step of a far-reaching character has just been taken in the administration of the French Colonies in order to ensure continuity of Colonial policy, which owing to frequent changes of Governments, runs the risk of being overlooked.

M. Sarraut, the Colonial Minister, has requested the Superior Council of the Colonies consisting of 148 members—halfly ex-Governors—which so far was supposed to advise the Colonial Minister when requested but has not been called on to do so during the last thirty-four years. This Council has now been split up into three separate bodies, namely a High Council composed of former Ministers and ex-Governors-General which will advise the Colonial Minister on policy, especially as regards native administration; secondly an Economic Council, including ex-Colonial Deputies, planters and Colonial producers which will deal with the development of Colonial resources; thirdly a Legislative Council, including home and Colonial legislators, which will deal with conflicting local customs and complicated legal situations and prevent hasty legislation.

### U.S. IMMIGRANTS.

NEW YORK, September 24th.

Mr. Wallis, Commissioner of Immigration is going to Washington to try and find a remedy for the terrible congestion at Ellis Island. He declared that he might even ask the State Department to hold up passports in order to prevent further paralyzing of the immigrant system. The situation reached its climax on September 22nd, when two thousand relatives and friends of over 3500 immigrants broke down the iron gates in endeavouring to obtain the release of aliens.

### VACATION STRIKE.

WILKESBARRE, September 25th.

The so-called vacation strike in the anthracite coal regions has been called off, and the miners are resuming on September 26th.

### M. RYASANOFF.

LONDON, September 25th.

M. D. Ryasanoff, the well-known Russian Communist, is coming to Great Britain as successor to M. Kamenev, who was refused permission to return. M. Ryasanoff is a Doctor of Medicine, and is reputed to be largely responsible for forming Kerenky's regime. He is one of the leaders of the Third International.

M. Kamenev's successor, M. Ryasanoff, arrived in London last night.

## SOCIALISM IN JAPAN.

### LIVELY SCRIMMAGES.

MEETINGS DISPERSED AFTER FREE FIGHTS.

Two meetings held by the Socialists on September 14 were dispersed by the police after a lively scrimmage. The meetings were held under the auspices of the Socialists League and in the list of speakers advertised was the name of a well-known Socialist, Mr. Sakae Otsugi.

The first meeting was held at the Toyoshimachi at the terminus of the Osaka car line at 7 o'clock in the evening. It was attended by about 600 people and there were present at the meeting 50 policemen under the personal direction of the chief inspector. The speeches of all the speakers were cut short by the guardians of the peace, the arguments of some of these men lasting for only a minute or two.

After seven or eight speakers had been suppressed in this way Mr. Sakutaro Iwasa began to speak on his subject entitled "The Anti-Japanese Question in America." Mr. Iwasa was allowed to speak for some minutes but finally the chief inspector rose and ordered the speaker to stop and at the same time he commanded the meeting to disperse. This was a signal for the meeting to rise en masse and noisily demanded the reason for what the audience termed an unwarrantable police tyranny. Soon a general fight between the police and the people was started at different parts of the hall. Blows were exchanged and the tabakoban flew at a dangerous angle. The consequence was that articles of furniture were smashed and the fences of the hall were wrecked. One of the Socialists present named Yoshida was roughly handled by the police and taken to the police station with other people. Many people lost or had their hats or gowns damaged in the general melee.

After the first meeting had been dispersed, another meeting was held by the same Socialists at the home of one of them, at Sagami, but this was also broken up by the police.

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## BIRTHS.

THOMPSON.—On September 27, at the French Hospital, to Mr. and Mrs. Fred G. Thompson, a daughter.  
PEZZINI.—On September 19, 1920, at Wuhu, to Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Pezzini, a daughter.

## The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE."

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, SEPT. 28, 1920.

## OUR STARVED SCHOOLS.

In the September number of the *Queen's College* magazine, *The Yellow Dragon*, we find the following note among several relating to the affairs of Class I in that school: "The top class in the College has now reached most unwieldy proportions owing to the amalgamation with the Pupil Teachers of what used to be known as the Normal Class. With 38 of us when all are present, the thought at once presents itself that for some time to come we shall have to be content with very little personal attention from the class-master. How many composition exercises, we wonder, will be corrected during the next month? Also by what wonderful feat of engineering will we all be accommodated in the Physical Laboratory which is normally well-filled by half our number of students?"

You see all that that means? A class of 38 cannot get the usual class tutoring. The master in charge will be unable (and certainly should never be expected to try) to give proper attention to English composition. Quite apart from the statement that the Laboratory cannot accommodate such a number, that argument is sufficient to denounce this effort at economy—which we must suppose, it to be. We do not know the size of the other classes in the upper school, and it is unnecessary at the moment to enquire. Here, presumably, from one of the pupils themselves, comes this damning indictment of the local Education Authority. Its idea of solving the problem caused by the shortage of masters is to starve the classes, unwisely, by leaving it to anybody who knows nothing at all of schoolwork to fill that is efficient. It is a good thing to show that the cause of the shortage in this colony is in grave danger of being made a permanent one. The story going round, that

are condemned by every authority. Especially at the top of a school are they undesirable; and they are the worst possible manifestations of the desire to economize, or to keep down expenditure. In this connection we recall our own announcement that some hundreds—five, wasn't it?—of boys had been turned away from this particular school. We have been given to understand since that more than 500 boys were refused admission. This, we must repeat, is not due to lack of accommodation but to shortage of staff. The first thing with which our Director of Education ought to get busy is the engagement of more masters. The present shortage is criminal, though whether it is wholly his fault, or due to chicanery by the Government, we cannot say. It should be his function to advise the Government, and if they ignore his advice, and he is not allowed to say so, by the well-known rule of the Service that makes a man dumb and defenceless, it is certainly hard lines on him. We, however, have more important considerations in view than the allocating of blame. We have to think of the rising generation of the parents, and of posterity. The present position of elementary education in Hongkong, and the inadequate allowance made for it, should be a public scandal. Things should be put right at once. We have, though we have made allowances, very little confidence in our Director of Education, and if a scapegoat should be necessary, to get the urgent requirements of our school system attended to, we fear we shall have to include him in our M.G. list.

Just consider. We hear that Victoria British School has a part-time Headmaster; that the Kowloon British School has an absolute untrained kindergarten mistress; that the Ellis Kadoorie school (which, before the Government took it over, had five European masters) now has only one European master; that the Saikung school (which always had two before) has one; and that Wan Chai, although it is used to have a European in charge, is now run by a Chinese master. Even the Peak School, unless our information is less up-to-date than we believe it to be, is understaffed.

War, that fluent, convenient, glib excuse, is not now to be named in this connection. It is nearly two years since Armistice day. Demobilization has proceeded apace. We have information that the number of professional men at home looking for jobs is very large. We fear there is only too much truth in the story going round, that

the Hongkong Government cannot get teachers because it refuses to offer proper pay. A little simple inquiry would soon settle that one way or the other. Compare what other places are paying with what Hongkong is offering. The *China Mail* has already published one or two comparative figures. "More can be got." Then, if the accusation be found true, let the tariff be immediately altered. Let us have these teachers whom we require so imperatively, without any more equivocation, vain excuses, or indifferent delay.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

One fatal case of enteric fever, Chinese, was reported yesterday.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board has been fixed for 4.15 p.m. to-day.

The motor five-mister "Wergeland" so long a picturesque object in the Shimonoseki Straits, was sold by Messrs. Nutter and Co. of Moji, to Messrs. Miller and Co. Ltd. of Shanghai. The price does not exceed Yen 100,000.

H. M. the King of Siam has made a gift of over £25,000, and land, for the erection of a Pasteur Institute as a memorial to the late Queen Mother. The Institute is to be managed by the Siam Red Cross Society.

The widow of ex-Prince Joachim has become engaged to Herr Guerdard, a large factory owner, five weeks after the suicide of her husband. Ex-Prince Joachim, the youngest son of the ex-Kaiser, shot himself at the Villa Liegnitz, at Potsdam, in July. His wife (Princess Marie of Anhalt) left him last Christmas.

The cholera epidemic in Korea shows no signs of abatement. According to investigations carried out by the Government-General of Korea, the number of fresh cases in the peninsula during the four days ending September 9 is 1,778, bringing the total from the beginning of the epidemic up to 18,465, of which 8,711 proved fatal.

In view of the serious famine in China, the opportunity seems ripe for the F.M.S. Government to do propaganda work in China to induce coolies to come to Malaya. Perhaps Mr. Anthony, General Manager, F.M.S. Railways, will now "get busy" and get in the ten thousand Chinese coolies he spoke of recruiting for the Railway Department, says an F.M.S. paper.

The death occurred in Penang, of Mr. J. W. Russell, frequent contributor to the Press of Malaya, after a lengthy illness brought on by exposure while he was in Siam at the end of last year. The late Mr. Russell was a son of a Yorkshire woollen manufacturer, and came to the East about twenty years ago. After being some time in Rangoon, where he had a tailoring establishment, he came to Malaya and finally took to journalism.

A large quantity of the meat supply for Singapore is drawn from Australia and recent advices from there show that exceptional prices are being obtained there for both mutton and beef. In Adelaide recently two fat wethers were sold, one at 26s. 6d. and the other at 24s. 10s., while in Sydney at the Home-bush live stock sales heavy weight bullocks brought up to £70 and cows up to £47 10s. Judging from these prices meat in Singapore will not be dropping just yet.

Contemptuous dressmakers who bow to the decrees of the goddess of Fashion have startled many of us by asserting that Venus is no longer acceptable as an ideal, says the *Shanghai Mercury*. Following on some comments made the other day by artists several West End dressmakers were interviewed. They declared that if used for the fragile English forms Venus would be out of date and useless as a West End mannequin. Lucille, the well-known costumière, said, "Her large, high, buxom figure would need an outside in every garment." Another manageress contemptuously described her as a "frump" according to modern ideals, and added, that she wouldn't give her a job. No wonder that the fashion world has been stirred. After this, the deluge!

With regard to Mr. Geo. L. Shaw, of Antung, who is in prison at Seoul for an offence which has not yet been publicly stated, the *Japan Chronicle* learns that he is now allowed to receive and read books which are sent to him by the foreign residents at Seoul, and also, it is believed, by members of the staff of the Consulate-General; furthermore, his meals are sent to him at suitable hours from the Chosen Hotel, and he has been provided with his own bed and bedding in his room at the jail. It is very satisfactory to learn that steps have now been taken to make Mr. Shaw's lot as tolerable as possible. No information has yet been received concerning the date when the preliminary court will announce its decision of a public trial takes place.

## SPECIAL CABLE.

### GRAVE DISASTER.

### BIG CROWD STAMPEDES.

### FRIGHTFUL SCENES.

[China Mail Special.]

SHANGHAI, Sept. 28.—A grave disaster occurred in the Flower World, a Chinese pleasure establishment on Monday night. A fire in the cinematograph led to a stampede. Bodies were trampled on the staircase. The stampede resembled wild beasts tearing, clawing, and biting. The fire brigade pluckily controlled the crowd at personal peril. Two were killed and the recovery of many who were removed to hospital is doubtful. It is estimated that two to three thousand people were inside the building during the disaster.

### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Canton Military Government has decided to contribute \$16,000 for famine relief in the northern provinces.

The annual fete and sale of work of the Women's Guild and Ministering Children's League will be held in Government House grounds on Saturday, November 6, from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.

A search by Revenue Officer Ward and several Chinese officers on the s.s. "Hailong" on her arrival on Sunday, led to the discovery of nearly 5,000 taels of prepared opium in a water tank.

The attention of footballers and others interested is drawn to an advertisement in another column announcing that the 33rd annual meeting of the Hongkong Football Club will be held at 5.45 o'clock this evening.

M. Leo Allen Bergholz, the American Consul-General at Canton, is leaving for home on furlough on September 29, and Mr. Walter A. Adams, the Vice American Consul, will be in charge of the American Consulate during his absence.

The annual School Swimming Sports conducted by the Hongkong Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation will be held in the V.R.C. bath this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock. His Excellency the Governor will distribute the prizes at 5 o'clock.

At the meeting of the Hongkong School Football League in the Sanitary Board Office on Saturday it was Mr. A. T. Hamilton, and not Mr. Hara, who seconded the motion of Mr. Handyside according to a vote of thanks to Mr. J. Ralston, the retiring secretary.

The annual harbour race has been fixed for October 6th, commencing at 5.30 p.m. The swimmers will probably include the placed men of last year, J. Johnstone, D. Laing and D. Lyon, as well as T. Logan, who won the event in 1918. The V.R.C. are holding a carnival the same night in aid of the Barnardo Homes, when some unusual events are promised.

In connection with St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, a movement has been started for the formation of a gymnastic class. It is understood that a qualified instructor has been secured. On Wednesday, at 8.30 p.m., a meeting is to be held at the Church Hall, over which the Vicar will preside, for the purpose of establishing this class. All Kowloon young men will be welcome.

On Saturday afternoon the Craigower Club and the Police Club are combining to have a special competition for lawn bowls. The former club has only recently added bowls to its repertoire, and it is with the idea of encouraging new talent, as well as of having a pleasant afternoon, that this very sporting arrangement was made. Players will be picked from those on the field at 3.30.

The native crew of the China Merchants Steam Navigation Co.'s s.s. "Irene" refused to take the vessel to sea on Saturday, according to the *North China Star*. The reason for the strike was that on the ship's arrival at Tongku, the crew ascertained that there were 3,000 passengers on board. As this number is far in excess of the ship's carrying capacity, the men declined to take her to sea, pointing out they were running needless risks in taking more passengers than they could provide for in case any accident happened to the ship. The Chinese Maritime Customs at Tongku, on the other hand, insisted that the "Irene" having cleared, should proceed to sea. The difficult problem which confronted both the shipping company and the Customs was solved by the timely arrival of Dr. Saito, of Tongku, who appeared on the scene with barges, in which he conveyed a number of protesting passengers to Tongku and Taku. The "Irene" then proceeded on to sea.

## HONGKONG LAWN TENNIS ASSOCIATION.

### INTERPORT MATCHES DISCUSS.

The Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association met at the H.K. C.C. pavilion last evening for the purpose of discussing rules and making arrangements for the coming interport matches. Mr. R. Hunsbeck presided and those present included Dr. W. J. Woodman (Hon. Secretary), Major Greenway, Mr. A. O. Brown and Mr. U. H. Fan.

Dr. Woodman read a letter from the Secretary of the Shanghai Lawn Tennis Association accepting the invitation to send a Shanghai team to Hongkong in November. Every effort would be made to secure the best available team. The suggestion of Hongkong that each port should be represented by two pairs and two angles players, making eight matches in all, was concurred in.

The Chairman thought it would be advisable to arrange the date to coincide with the visit of the Shanghai Cricket team on November 8. The matches would last three days. It was decided in the event of Singapore accepting the invitation, to hold the fixture the week following the Cricket interport, but if Singapore were unable to send a team, the tennis matches should be arranged for the cricket week.

Regarding the selection of the Hongkong team, it was the general view that this could well be left until a later date, the Chairman pointing out that in the meantime arrangements could be made for practice games which could be attended by the Selection Committee, who would then be better able to judge the merits of the players. Dr. Woodman, Major Greenway, Mr. R. A. Nesbitt and Mr. Ng So Kwong were appointed a Committee to make the necessary further arrangements.

A copy of the rules of the Shanghai Lawn Tennis Association was laid before the meeting with a view to adoption by the Hongkong Association. After lengthy consideration it was felt that the rules were too elaborate and could be curtailed and simplified. It was mentioned that there were about 20 tennis clubs in the Colony and each one would be called upon to pay a fee of \$10 for affiliation to the Association.

It was arranged that the annual meeting of the Association should be held in January of each year. The revised copy of the rules will be submitted for approval to a general meeting of the Association to be held on October 18.

## ACID THROWING CASE.

### ELDERLY MAN CHARGED.

### ACCUSED COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

Before Magistrate Orme at the Magistracy yesterday afternoon, the hearing was begun in the case in which an elderly Chinese is charged, on remand, with having thrown corrosive acid at a hawk and his mother in Wan Chai on September 15. Inspector Kent presided. Mr. Leo d'Almada, who appeared for the defence, entered a plea of "not guilty."

Dr. To gave evidence to the effect that the male victim was burned in the eye, but fortunately not seriously as at first thought. He did not think the eyesight would be affected. The woman had burns on her neck.

The boy deposed that after a meal at his fruit stall at Wing Fung Street, he went out for a stroll. He had not walked many paces when he felt a blow on his head. Turning round he saw defendant running away. He gave chase and defendant, stooping down near a blacksmith's shop, picked up a tin of corrosive acid and threw the contents at him and his mother, who was following him. He knew defendant by sight. Except for a quarrel which he had with defendant over the peeling of some fruit which the latter had bought, witness could not suggest any reason why defendant should have thrown the acid on him and his mother.

Inspector Kent informed his Worship that the boy told him in the charge room that defendant wanted him to join a society and tried to borrow money from him.

The boy's mother also gave evidence. Evidence of the arrest of defendant at his home, No. 23 Ship Street, on the evening of the 15th, was given by a constable.

Answering Mr. d'Almada, the constable stated that he searched the defendant, and the defendant had been sleeping for sulphuric acid, but found no trace of sulphuric acid on his clothing and there were no burns on his body.

At the conclusion of the evidence Mr. d'Almada applied for bail, saying that the evidence was weak and his client had been a resident in the Colony for 40 years.

Mr. Orme pointed out the seriousness of the case and rejected the application.

Defendant was committed to the Sessions for trial. Mr. d'Almada reserved his defence.

## INTERPORT CONTESTS.

### SHANGHAI RECORD.

### MOST IMPORTANT MATCH YET TO COME.

Shanghai sportsmen can with justice give themselves a gentle pat on the back on their record in interport contests this summer, says the *Shanghai Mercury*. The splendid run of "unbroken" successes was commenced at the beginning of July when the Polo, Four representing the Settlement retained the Keswick Trophy against a very strong combination from Hongkong. A few weeks later a team of our swimming men ventured over to Kobe in search of more interport honours and greatly to the joy of followers of the aquatic sport managed to bring back the scalp of the Japanese port—for it was scarcely even hoped that they would be successful. Tientsin were the next victims of Shanghai prowess—this time on the cricket field. The North-eastern eleven gave us a very fine run for our money and probably put up a better fight than they had expected to, if the truth be told. Now, during the past week-end, the Model Settlement has once again proved its superiority, on this occasion of the Jawn bowls greens, the victims being Hankow and Hongkong. This may sound very much like boasting, but it is for no such reason that we draw attention to the series of wins. We do so for the simple reason that what may be regarded as the most important interport contest of all has yet to come, namely, the cricket match with Hongkong next month. Last Saturday we had an interport trial which, reading between the lines, was not much more satisfactory than the Tientsin game. Our cricket correspondent has expressed the hope that the Selection Committee will give a little more attention to the younger players and it is to be hoped his remarks will be taken to heart. There are close on half a dozen players whose past performances put them in the running for places in the Hongkong eleven and they should at least be given the opportunity of showing their paces in the trial games. We need the very best material we can get for Hongkong if we are to maintain an unbeaten interport record for the year.

## WIGWAM TENNIS CLUB.

### ANNUAL MEETING.

### PLEASANT AFTERNOON'S SPORT.

Following a pleasant afternoon's sport, at which the Committee were "at home" to members and their friends, the Wigwam Tennis Club held its annual meeting.

Mr. A. Hicks, who presided, in moving the adoption of the report and accounts, which were of a most satisfactory character, referred to the great improvements which had been made in the ground and Club premises during the past year, for which thanks were due to the Ground Committee and especially to Mr. J. Parsons.

The report and accounts were adopted. The election of officers for the coming year then took place, and Mr. A. Morley regretted his inability to continue as Hon. Secretary, the vacancy being filled by the appointment of Mr. E. E. Brown. As Hon. Treasurer Mr. J. J. Gibbons was re-elected, whilst a ballot for Committee members resulted in the following being chosen—Messrs. J. Parsons, A. Morley, H. F. Crapnell, A. Hicks and R. C. Burdett. The meeting closed with a cordial vote of thanks of the outgoing officials.

## THEATRE ROYAL.

### BANDMAN CO. SEASON.

### SUCCESSFUL REPEAT PERFORMANCE.

In the Theatre Royal last night the Bandman Comedy Company delighted another good house with a repeat performance of their opening night's success, "Nothing but the Truth," a diverting comedy which was not less enjoyable than on the previous occasion when it was played. To-night the talented Company will present "Sacred and Profane Love," a play with a London reputation.

## TYPHOON WARNING.

The telegrams quoted below were received by the American Consulate General from the Manila Observatory.

4.45 p.m. yesterday.

Typhoon or cyclone 115 deg. Long. 16 deg. Lat. moving W.

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## CHINESE HOSTILITIES.

### LOCAL DISTURBANCES.

### TROUBLE AT THE CANTON WHARF.

A Chinese who was this morning charged before Magistrate Dyer Ball with causing a disturbance on the Canton wharf, in the small hours of this morning, pleaded "not guilty." Inspector Moore, who prosecuted, said that some Kwongsi men arrived at 2 a.m. to-day from Canton on the s.s. "Fathman." As soon as they landed on the wharf, the defendant and several hundreds of wharf coolies set upon the strangers, and gave them a very rough handling. A Chinese detective who was on duty in the vicinity interfered and arrested the defendant. As the detective was escorting the Kwongsi men to the boarding house, the crowd of coolies which followed them, assaulted the detective. The Kwongsi men ran away, leaving the detective to handle the crowd himself. In spite of the thumping he received, the detective pluckily stuck to the prisoner until assistance came, when the crowd dispersed and the prisoner was brought to the station without further incident.

The Magistrate enquired what was the objection to the strangers landing in the Colony.

The Inspector explained that it was all on account of the fighting between Kwongtung and Kwongsi troops in China. The police had had a lot of trouble quelling these disturbances which had been of frequent occurrence for the past two months. The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$20 or one month's hard labour.

## MURDER ALLEGED.

### TWO HAWKERS CHARGED.

### PROSECUTION OPENED.

At the Magistracy yesterday afternoon, two Chinese hawkers were charged before Magistrate Dyer Ball with the murder of another Chinese in Connaught Road Central.

Mr. A. d'Arculi, who appeared for the defence, informed the Magistrate that he had only just been retained for the defence, and was not in possession of the facts of the case. However, if the Magistrate would allow him to reserve his cross-examination of witnesses for the prosecution until the next hearing, he would not ask for a remand.

The Magistrate agreed to Counsel's suggestion, and the case was proceeded with. Chief Detective Inspector Munro, prosecuting, stated that second defendant was a licensed hawker and the other defendant was his assistant. A quarrel arose over payment of a bowl of congee and defendants were alleged to have knocked deceased down. First accused was arrested near his stall by Sergeant Cotton and second defendant was caught in Des Voeux Road after a long chase. Evidence was then given and the case was adjourned.

## BILLIARDS.

### AN INTERESTING MATCH.

### H.M.S. "CARLISLE" V. WILTS SGTS.

A match between H.M.S. "Carlisle" and Wilt's Sergeants took place on Saturday evening in the Sergeants' Mess, Murray Barracks. The Wilt's won five out of the seven games. The teams were:—

### WILTS SGTS.

C.Q.M.S. Buckland ..... (lost).  
Sgt. Smith ..... (won).  
Sgt. Porter ..... (won).  
R.Q.M.S. Miller ..... (won).  
Sgt. Reeves ..... (won).  
Sgt. Croning ..... (won).  
Cr. Sgt. Alderton ..... (lost).

### H.M.S. "CARLISLE."

S.P.O. Wood ..... (won).  
E.R.A. Grace ..... (lost).  
C.P.O. Aubrey ..... (lost).  
S.P.O. Tyreman ..... (lost).  
C.E.R.A. Wilson ..... (lost).  
S.P.O. Atkinson ..... (lost).  
P.O. Patten ..... (won).

The game between Sgt. Rees and C.E.R.A. Wilson was the event of the evening, when some fine cut work was executed by both players. Wilson led almost up to the end, but the Sergt. made a splendid recovery and won by the narrow margin of two points. S. P. O. Wood scored the highest break.

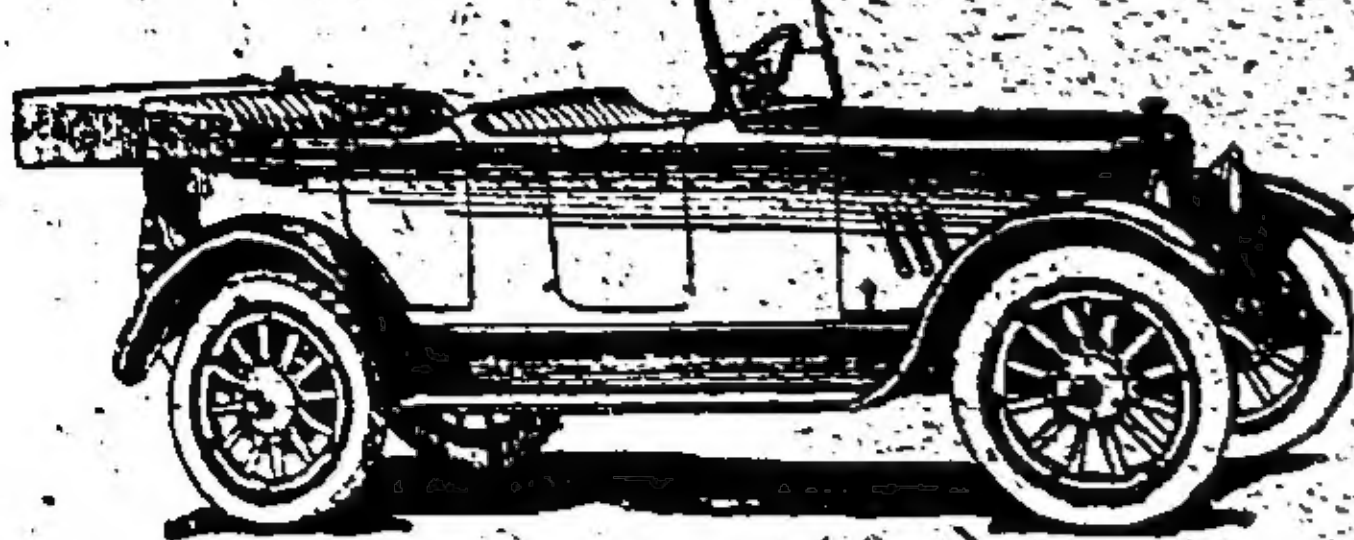
After the match, R. Q. M. S. Miller, on behalf of the members of the Sergeants' Mess, presented a framed photo of the members, as a mark of esteem, to the P. O.'s of the *Carlisle*. S. P. O. Atkinson suitably replied.

Two lots of Crown land (Inland Lot No. 2311 and Kowloon Island Lot No. 1400) were put up for sale at the office of the Public Works Department yesterday afternoon. The first lot, which has an area of 3,200 sq. feet, was knocked down at the upset price, (\$2,120) to Mr. Chas. Kim, there being no other bidders. The annual Crown rent is \$22. The second lot was sold to Mr. Li Fuk Sing for \$5,900 (or \$1,083 over the upset price). The annual rent is \$22. The acreage being 8,028 sq. feet.



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## STREET ACCIDENTS.

## KNOCKED DOWN BY MOTOR.

## BOY HURT IN BICYCLE SMASH.

A Chinese aged 35, was yesterday admitted to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from injuries to his abdomen, head and feet, caused through being knocked down by motor car No. 167 while driving a truck in New Leichkeok Road, near the Takshumlung village. His condition is considered serious.

A Chinese schoolboy, aged 18 years, living at No. 7, Glenale Road, was yesterday removed to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from injuries to his head caused by running into a stone wall while riding a bicycle in Caine Road.

## WHERE PAPER GOES.

## EXCITING FIGURES.

## SOME STARTLING COMPARISONS.

Some exciting figures appear in an article on American periodicals in the current *Illustrated Circular*. One issue alone of a certain popular journal, it is stated, would supply enough paper for all the books bought by all the United States public libraries in a year, two or three times over. Three of the periodicals combined use enough paper in a year to girdle the earth with a page-wide strip 148 times, and the ink used amounts to 3,600,000 pounds.

The mere detail of 13,000 miles of rope used annually in tying up the parcels for delivery is thrown in by way of parenthesis. Hence it was not surprising to hear a paper merchant declare that America is using more "newsprint" than her mills can produce, and prices are still rising.

## DANGEROUS SHOAL.

## A LIGHT NECESSARY.

## STRAITS GOVERNMENT TO BE APPROACHED.

We are very glad indeed to hear officially from Capt. J. A. Campbell, President of the Straits Merchant Service Guild, that at the half-yearly general meeting of the members held in the Guild Rooms, it was unanimously decided to approach the Government with a request that they consider the advisability of placing a light on the Falloolen Shoal, says the *Straits Times*. From what we have heard both orally from master mariners and read in their communications to us there is no doubt whatever that a light should be placed on this small, but extremely dangerous shoal. It is only a quarter of a mile in diameter, marked as having 24 fathoms of water on it, and is situated 5½ miles from the Horsburgh Lighthouse, and about 30 miles from Singapore. Four ships have gone ashore there within the last 20 years and two within the past five years, the latest being the "Altenburg." One correspondent proposed placing a light on the shoal, by erecting a screw pile beacon, with an unanchored light, about 10 miles, as it is very necessary. On a dark rainy night, either coming in, or going out, there is no possible means of accurately telling how far one is off the Horsburgh Light, as there is nothing to take cross bearing by, and one is likely to pass too close or too far off for safety. That some sort of light is absolutely necessary appears to be the general opinion among the shipping community and we hope the suggestion of the Straits Merchant Service Guild will receive early consideration.

## THE CROWN AGENTS.

## A PALTRY ECONOMY.

## PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT FOR CANDIDATES.

An applicant for a small Colonial appointment on the Gold Coast calls my attention, says *Truth*, to a piece of official meanness which unfairly penalises candidates who reside at a distance from London. The Crown Agents, after taking up all his references, asked him to attend at their offices, Millbank, Westminster, at the

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## THE \$100 FINE.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]

Dear Sir,—I have read with much interest your article on the above subject which appeared in last night's *China Mail*, and I think the view point that you have dealt with at such length is a very important one, and that it had probably escaped the notice of most readers of the local press. There are, however, other points in the matter of lesser importance, but to which attention should be drawn.

Mr. Ray states that for the consideration of allowing the posters to be put up on the building in question, Mr. Buyers and another employee of the Peak Tramway were entitled to attend the Coroner's Kinema Theatre free of charge. Doubtless the privilege was made use of more or less freely. Now, if Mr. Ray was unaware that the posters were being placed on a Government building, Mr. C. B. Buyers and the other Peak Tramway assistant undoubtedly must have known, and therefore it follows they acquired the privilege of visiting the Kinema Theatre by usurping the rights of the Government. Another point is that there might be a real public danger if the Peak Tramway Co.'s superior officials continually visiting the Kinema. We all know how frequently cinema stunts have been attempted, and disastrously, generally by youths, after much cinema visiting, and who is to say that the Peak Tramway officials might not in a moment of aberration try some cinema stunt with the Peak Tramway.

In all deference to these stolid, benign and benevolent officials, those Kinema visits had better been left alone. Now, just one word for you, Mr. Ray. Do you not think it would have been more "sporty" to have left out that little bit of information about the conceding the privilege of visiting the Kinema? The decision of the honourable Court would not have been materially altered—but that's not the point—it was not cricket—I am, Sir, Yours, etc.

THE JAT.

Hongkong, Sept. 23, 1920.

[We suppose we must abandon the hope that men will learn to read correctly. There was no evidence that the Tramway men were "continually" visiting the Kinema. And there was no suggestion that they "usurped the rights of the Government." It was distinctly stated that they gave in exchange for the free show free access (over Tram property) to the posting station.—*China Mail* Redaction.]

## WE SHALL WANT HIM BY SATURDAY.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]

Dear Sir,—Having recently seen "Adversarius" and knowing his absence causes you serious anxiety, I am therefore sending to you herewith, without delay, news of his whereabouts.

He is at present living on a Sampan in Shaukiwan and his condition is pitiable. Unshaved and existing on a diet consisting of Monkey Nuts, rice, and the husks of the Swine reject, drinking a colourless liquid something like water. I could see no rust on him, and he being a man of iron constitution, I therefore presume it was not water. He is learning to play Chinese card games, and frequently consults a Chinese Dictionary.

I sincerely hope that some effort will be made to rescue him, as Hongkong cannot afford to lose its Adversarius.

Yours faithfully,  
ANXIOUS.

same time intimating that he would have to pay his own expenses. As the cost would have amounted to £5 at least, with an additional guinea for a medical examination, he asked that this condition should be waived. The only result was a communication intimating that an interview would not be necessary at this stage. From this I gather that some candidate nearer Westminster, or with more money in his pocket, has received preferential treatment. Nowadays, even Rural District Councils pay the expenses of candidates selected to be interviewed for vacancies, and the Crown Agents ought to be above economising in this paltry fashion.

## EXCITEMENT AT CANTON.

## MARINES LANDED AT SHANGHAI.

## BOMBING AND LOOTING BEGIN.

Lengthy accounts of the excitement prevailing at Canton are given today by the *Chinese Times*, which states that Shanghai is being fortified and marines from the British, American, Japanese and other warships have been ordered to be ready for action to protect foreign life and property, and some have already landed at Shanghai.

The *China Mail* learns that H.M.S. "Glebe" left Hongkong for Canton on Saturday with a strong landing party armed with light field guns and Lewis guns, with a plentiful supply of ammunition. In Canton there are at present the following foreign gunboats: H.M.S. "Farantula," H.M.S. "Glebe," J.S.S. "Kakura," J.S.S. "Kaba," U.S.S. "Helena," and U.S.S. "Pampanga."

The account in the Canton paper today says:—Canton saw its first real excitement the last two days, during which bombs were exploded at the Military Government grounds and on the West Bund. General Li Fook, General Ngai Bong-ping, and Commander Sun Pao-fan, three local Cantonese troop commanders, joined with General Chen Ching-ming in advising Mu Yung-hsien, the Military Governor of Kwangtung, to resign and hand over the Military administration back to the Cantonese. Admiral Lin Pao-yi, Minister of the Navy, has also advised Mu to yield to the demand of the Cantonese.

A bomb was thrown at the entrance of the Military Government grounds at Shiao, outside the East Gate of the City, afternoon of September 24, killing one and wounding three soldiers who were on duty at the same day, another one was set off in front of the Sun Building, this killing two persons.

Last Sunday, September 26, the Mid-Autumn Festival, was a quiet one, very few dinner parties being noticed on the flower-boat or the restaurants on the Bund. Many feared trouble would come then.

Not until the morning of September 27, the public saw the excitement. The news that the Canton-Samshui Railroad had suspended traffic, because of the capture of the road by General Li Fook Lum in order to stop further arrival of Kwangsi troops from Kwangsi, began to spread early, and by noon, nearly all important shops in Canton closed to business.

General Li Fook Lum, Defence Commissioner of Kwangchow and Waichow, with troop headquarters at Honan, Canton South, declared independence from the administration under Mu Yung-hsien at 2.15 on the afternoon of September 27 by displaying white flags and issuing a proclamation agreeing with Chan Ching-ming in Canton for the Cantonese policy in government and advising Mu Yung-hsien to comply with popular opinion by surrendering his power to the Cantonese.

Shelwaikang is being fortified by General Li Fook's men, and local river gunboats are also in sympathy with the movement.

The trouble in Canton is having the usual result of flooding Hongkong with refugees. All the boats for this port are filled and Shummen firms are being packed with goods from the native city.

Looting has taken place in some parts of the city, the victims mostly being gold and silvermiths. The Sun Company and the Hotel Asia are being guarded by members of the merchant militia. In some cases shopkeepers are passing electric current through their iron fences as a protection. The gates in the Eastern and Western Bridges to Shamoen were closed early last evening and no one was allowed to enter at night.

Merchants seem to have become terrified at the sight of gunboats in the harbour and yesterday 90 per cent of the shops were closed. Rice merchants have increased the price of the superior quality to \$1.10 for eleven cattie as many people are storing rice for their own use.

## IN MANCHURIA.

## ORGANIZED LAWLESSNESS.

## BANDITS LOOT AND PLUNDER.

Tokio, Sept. 14.—A semi-official despatch, received here, reports a raid by mounted bandits at Kunghai. A gang of bandits, numbering about 300, attacked the town on Sunday last at daybreak. The local Chinese garrison, however, was alerted, but with great difficulty the bandits set the houses on fire and resorted to looting and plundering, and finally made away with ten hostages at about half past eight o'clock.

During the raid, the Japanese residents took refuge in the Japanese Consulate. None of them sustained injuries.

## SHAMEN QUARREL.

## A BRUTAL ASSAULT.

## MONTH'S JAIL FOR MAN WHO USED HAMMER.

Before Magistrate Orme, at the Magistracy this morning, John Morley, a seaman of the s.s. "West Henshaw," was charged, at the instance of Sergeant Stimson, of the Water Police, with assaulting Frank Flory of the same ship with a chip-ping hammer.

The defendant admitted the charge. He said that Flory came on board drunk last night, and "kicked up a row" with him. This morning, while he was sweeping the deck, Flory again looked for trouble saying "Stop raising all that dust you—He has often threatened to kill me, so I could not stand it any more, and I struck him," added the defendant.

The Magistrate asked if the case were one of persistent bullying. Sergeant Stimson said that he did not think it was. While sweeping the deck, the defendant raised a cloud of dust on to a suit of the complainant's clothing which was lying there. The complainant brushed the dust off, and the defendant again soiled it, so the complainant took it away. While the complainant's back was turned, the defendant picked up the hammer and struck him four times with it. Three times on the head and once on the jaw.

The Magistrate remarked that the trouble might have been the outcome of some old grudge between the men. The Sergeant said that that was quite possible.

The Magistrate: Is the Captain here?

The Sergeant: No, he left it to the complainant to prosecute. I understand that the defendant is not wanted back on the ship.

Addressing the defendant, the Magistrate said that he did not know how such assaults as he was guilty of were looked upon in his country, but it was a serious matter here to attack a man with a hammer. He would have to go to jail for one month.

## "STOP THIEF!"

## PICKPOCKET CAUGHT.

## PREVIOUS ESCAPE FROM CUSTODY.

At the Magistracy this morning, a Chinese was charged before Magistrate Orme, at the instance of Inspector Willis, of No. 7 Police Station, with (1) picking the pocket of a Chinese "boy in West Point" on Sunday and stealing a \$10 roll of Chinese 20-cent pieces; and (2) escaping from police custody on January 27, 1919, while on the way to jail after having been sentenced to six weeks' hard labour for larceny.

Defendant denied both charges. The boy deposed to feeling a tug at his pocket and then seeing the defendant running. He gave chase calling out "Stop thief!" After running into several streets, the witness knew him in sight all the time, the defendant was arrested by a *lukong*.

The *lukong* deposed that when the defendant saw him approaching, and finding escape impossible, he threw down the roll of coins and a packet of snuffing powder. The coins were scattered on the road, and only \$3.40 was recovered by a coolie. After the police had proved the defendant's identity by finger-prints, the Magistrate convicted him on both charges and passed sentence of 12 months' hard labour.

## LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

## ARRIVALS.

The s.s. "Unnan Maru," Capt. H. Ouchi, 2,201.02 tons, arrived this morning at 7 a.m. from Keelung with 700 tons of coal.

The s.s. "Kanyingfat," Capt. O. Noronha, 440 tons, arrived this morning at 8.30 a.m. from Hoikow with 200 tons of general cargo.

## DEPARTURES.

The s.s. "Chengta," Capt. Letch, sailed for Bangkok via Swatow at noon to-day with 700 tons of general cargo.

The s.s. "Hailoon," Capt. Thompson, sailed for Ponchow via Swatow at 2 a.m. to-day with 500 tons of general cargo.

## CLEARANCES.

The s.s. "Toru Maru," Japanese, cleared to-day and will sail for Dairen at 7 a.m. to-morrow.

The s.s. "Lakonia," British, cleared to-day and will sail for Hongkong via Hainan at 8 a.m. to-morrow.

## NO BOMBARDMENT.

The s.s. "Huangshan" arrived this afternoon with 2,050 passengers from Canton. She also brought the news that up to the line of leaving things were quiet, the threatened bombardment of the city having failed to materialize.

## LAWN BOWLS.

## FINAL LEAGUE MATCH.

## POLICE BEAT KOWLOON.

On Saturday, the final match in the Lawn Bowls League Competition was played off at Kowloon between Kowloon and the Police. A recently contested game resulted in a win for the Police by 3 points.

The scores were Police 57, Kowloon 54.

The final positions are as under:

CLUB	P.	W.	L.	PTS.
Kowloon	8	6	2	12
Taikoo	8	5	3	10
Police	8	4	4	8
R.C.C.	8	3	5	6
Civil Service	8	2	6	4

The usual match: Winners of the League (Kowloon) versus the Rest will take place on a date to be fixed by the Lawn Bowls Association.

The finalists in the Singles Championship of the Colony are J. McLachlan (Taikoo) and D. Muir (Kowloon) the former disposing of J. Grant (Police) and the latter A. R. Clarke (Police).

The date of this match and ground to be played on will also be fixed by the Association at an early date.

## LAWN TENNIS.

## WIN BY NARROW MARGIN.

## CLUB RECREIO V. INDIAN RECREATION CLUB.

A friendly game of Tennis played on Sunday on Club de Recreio ground, between the Indian Recreation Club and Club de Recreio, resulted in the home team winning by the narrow margin of one game, 50-49. The following were the players:—

Indian Recreation Club.—A. H. Rumjahn and A. A. Rumjahn, S. A. Ismail and S. H. Ismail, D. Rumjahn and S. Rumjahn.

Club de Recreio.—V. Yvanovich and M. Pina, J. Lopez and C. E. Marques, L. Hyndman and A. H. Hyndman.

## PASSENGERS.

## ARRIVALS.

Per s.s. "Columbia," Saturday:—Mr. Alfred Posen, Mrs. M. H. Goodwin, Miss Ruth Hinton, Miss Laura Long, Mrs. Benj. Miller, Mr. E. G. Savill, Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Varn, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Wayne, Miss Margaret Wayne, Miss Mabel Engstrom, Mr. and Mrs. H. Haines, Mr. P. M. Luce, Miss E. McPherson, Miss A. Robinson, Mr. P. Staley, Mr. E. Brown, Mr. J. A. Morris, Mr. C. E. Borelson, Master L. Bertelson, Mr. C. B. Bird, Mr. D. L. Blanton, Mr. J. M. Briscoe, Mr. B. M. Chidlaw, Mrs. E. C. Collier, Mr. L. Crane, Mr. L. Dalbourn, Mrs. J. J. Edwards, Mr. L. C. Foster, Mrs. E. Foster, Mr. H. O. French, Mr. E. E. Gilman, Mr. Grissaco, Mr. Chua Grice, Mr. A. Hanson, Mr. L. Hoenig, Mr. and Mrs. J. I. de Jonck, Mrs. W. Kaufeldt, Mr. E. G. Kemper, Mr. W. H. Lee, Mr. J. G. Loren, Mr. B. Matheson, Miss Marie Meyer, Miss A. Morrison, Mr. Pablo Wren, Mr. C. A. Scott, Mr. J. E. Sever, Mr. A. E. Schreiber, Mr. L. F. Sherman, Mrs. M. Strawn, Mr. H. J. Tamm, Mr. L. Vinson, Miss Anna West, Mr. H. W. Whitaker, Mrs. W. A. Yeager, Mr. C. C. Zaveris, Mr. and Mrs. E. Zobel, Miss Mercedes Zobel, Miss Matilde Zobel, Miss Consuelo Zobel, and Miss Gloria Zobel.

## TODAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

## A. D. C.

## PROPOSED AUTUMN PRODUCTIONS.

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HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB, Hongkong, September 23, 1920.

## AN OPEN LETTER to The Gentleman who does not like Chinamen.

Sir, As I understand and indeed, have good reason to believe that you have feelings of strong antipathy to the Chinese and that you are a person of entertainment for the people, I therefore challenge you to visit the Chinese Theatre during the run of the present programme which features *Edna Ferber's masterpiece, "The Day After Tomorrow,"* then go through the Chinese of this paper for a specimen of your opinion upon the subject after having seen it. The last act in the house will be at your disposal.

Trusting that you will take up this challenge in the same spirit that it is given out. I am, Sir, Yours sincerely,  
H. W. ZAY.

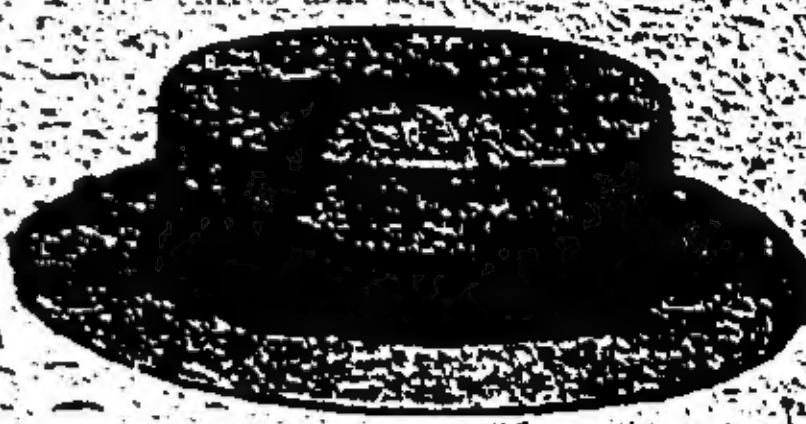
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"SOWAL"	6,712	10th Dec.	Do.
"DEVANHA"	6,102	17th Dec.	Do.
"STICLIA"	6,702	31st Dec.	Do.
"FLASBY"	7,148	21st Jan.	Do.

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## KENIA COLONY.

APPROPRIATE NAME.

ANNEXATION OF BRITISH EAST AFRICA.

The announcement that British East Africa has been annexed to the British Crown was not unexpected. A representative of the Observer gathered from Colonel Amery that the whole country is now so definitely settled and closely administered that its conditions have become those of a colony rather than that of a protectorate, and all the more so because there is a very considerable settled white population.

The name British East Africa has become, too, rather an anomaly, seeing that there is now continuous British-administered territory from Zanzibar to the Sudan. The new name—Kenia—is very appropriate, certainly. Colonel Amery said, to anyone who has seen this wonderful mountain which, in the clear light of the early morning, dominates the East African landscape from a distance of 100 miles.

The actual annexation applies only to the interior. All the coast strip, which is part of the dominion of the Sultan of Zanzibar, still remains a protectorate. But it is in the interior that there is the large settled white population, and it has long been recognized as rather anomalous that there should be such a population living technically on non-British territory. There was always the possibility of legal difficulties arising, and though the country had large resources it could not, as long as it was technically only a protectorate, raise loans under the same favourable conditions as a territory which happened to be a colony and yet had perhaps only a fifth part of its area and a mere fraction of its revenue.

In view therefore of the whole change of conditions which has taken place within the past ten years, and still more in view of the great development which is expected in East Africa in the near future, the time has clearly come for the annexation to be made.

## JAPANESE FISH.

REGULATING MARKET PRICES.

WIRELESS FOR TRAVELERS.

Readers who take a lively, though somewhat pained, interest in the regular succession of reports that we glean mainly from Japanese sources of the progress of the art of forcing up prices by creating shortages, will appreciate the progressive programme of the Kyodo Gogyo Kabushiki Kaisha, or Associated Fishery Company, says the Japan Chronicle. The provision of up-to-date equipment including wireless apparatus on their travelers is wholly admirable, but the ingenious admission that the chief use of this apparatus will be to regulate market prices is hardly encouraging. The travelers will day by day receive news of the exact condition of every fish market in their sphere of operations, and they will never bring to where fish is cheap already, but take it to some place where there is a shortage, or sell it down—and so on through the whole ichthyological catalogue. Of course, it is very scientific, and is no more than the coal-owners or the rice-brokers do already. But it is against the tradition of fish. One can spare one's sympathy for the fisherman who often has the experience of a large catch being remunerative than a small one. At the same time, it is one of the compensations of life that there are times when the poor can buy fine fish cheaply and feast like kings. But if fish, like nearly everything else, is to be regulated out of reach of the poor, life for the majority will have an added dreariness.

## IF MINERS STRIKE

WHAT WOULD HAPPEN?

EFFECT ON COAL SUPPLY AND SOME CONSIDERATION.

Finley A. Gibson, Secretary of the Monmouthshire and South Wales Coal-Owners' Association, writes in a financial paper:

"The following statement is an estimate given of the statistical position that would arise in the matter of the production and the distribution of coal in the United Kingdom in the event of a coal strike."

	Tons
Estimated present output per annum	240,000,000
Less colliery consumption	18,000,000
	222,000,000

	Tons
Cargo	23,000,000
Bankers	15,000,000
	38,000,000

	Tons
Available for home consumption	184,000,000

This gives us an average weekly quantity of coal retained for the service of all inland requirements of about 3,544,000 tons.

If it be assumed that a national strike of two weeks' duration took place it would involve a loss to the nation of about 70,880,000 tons.

DISTRICTS MOST AFFECTED.

The districts whose trade would be disorganised and injured most by the loss of this output would be the coal-exporting districts. They are the districts that are now bearing the brunt of the existing shortage in production. It is the policy of the Government that the British household and British industries must have the first claim on the available supply of coal, and it is for this reason that the South Wales cargo exports have been cut down to 13½ million tons per annum, or at the rate of about 260,000 tons per week, those of Northumberland to 125,000 tons per week and the cargo exports of Scotland to about 10,000 tons per week.

In 1913 there was available for export as cargo, bunkers, coke and patent fuel approximately 100 million tons. To-day our production is at the rate of nearly 50 million tons less than in 1913, and as the inland demand is greater than it was in pre-war years, the surplus for export has been reduced not only to the full extent of the diminished output, but also to the extent of the increased inland demand.

Any extra deficiency, therefore, that may arise as a result of a strike cannot be made good except from the coal-exporting districts. The consumption in the United Kingdom of coal for household purposes and by gas and electricity undertakings is estimated at about 80 million tons per annum, or 1,540,000 tons per week, and of this approximately one-half is supplied for household purposes alone.

WHAT A STRIKE WOULD INVOLVE.

A fortnight's strike would thus reduce the supply of coal available for household consumption by about 1,540,000 tons at the average weekly rate of consumption per annum, or nearly two million tons at the higher rate of winter consumption, and over the whole winter period of, say, 20 weeks, this would represent a weekly reduction in supply of 75,000 tons.

The records of outputs during the past six months do not justify the hope that production would expand after the strike. The output has been practically stationary, and if anything, at a slightly lower level than in the first quarter of the year. It would not be practicable for the Government to conserve all coal for inland consumption, as in the coal-exporting districts. The transport facilities are not adequate for the purpose, and consequently a complete embargo on exports would inevitably lead to a stoppage of work at many of the South Wales collieries. It is possible that restrictions would be enforced more drastically on exports than at present, and so far as those more drastic restrictions increased the supply for home consumption they would mitigate the effects of the lost output in the inland market, but they would not make good anything like the coal lost, and the outlook, therefore, would be that of a reduced supply both for exports and inland consumption.

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## H.C.C.

COMMITTEES REPORT.

The following is the report of the Committee of the H.C.C. for the Session 1919-20. The Committee beg to submit their report on the working of the Club and the Accounts for the year ending the 31st August, 1920. The Profit and Loss Account after writing down the Pavilion by £6,000 shows a surplus of £232 16 3, the actual surplus of £232 16 3, the surplus for the Club. The sum of £232 16 3 has been expended in redeeming all outstanding Debentures. The Singapore War Bonds have been sold and the proceeds placed to current account, your Committee being of the opinion that the money could be better employed here, although we had to suffer an unavoidable loss in exchange. The Club now stands clear of debt with a cash balance at the Bank of \$100,133. Subscriptions and Entrance Fees show an increase of \$2,537 50, 54 new Playing Members, 14 Non-Playing Members and 60 subscribers having joined. There have been 20 resignations.

Cricket.—The cricket pitch has been largely re-turfed at a cost of \$130. The Club played 22 matches, of which 12 were won, 2 drawn and 8 lost.

Tennis.—The entries for the Annual Tournament showed an increase over last year, as did also the gate receipts. Of the two Championship events, open to all comers, the Singles were won for the 3rd time in succession by Mr. Ng See Kwong, who defeated Mr. M. W. Lo in the Challenge Round. The Doubles were won by Messrs. M. W. Lo and M. K. Lo. The Handicap Singles "A" and "B" were won respectively by Mr. F. A. Redmond and Mr. E. W. Day, the Handicap Doubles by Major J. Greenaway and Ardoino, and the Mixed Doubles by Major Bowen and Mrs. Thomas. Miss Bowen kindly presented the prizes at the close of the Tournament.

The following Members of the present Committee offer themselves for re-election, Messrs. F. Maitland, T. E. Pearce, R. Hancock, G. R. Sayer, C. Baker, and Rev. H. S. Crole-Rees. Additional members will be required and Messrs. H. A. Nibbet, R. L. D. Woodhouse and Major Bagnall have consented to stand for election. Will those Members who wish to propose any others, kindly send in names to the Hon. Secretary not later than the 2nd October. The Annual General Meeting will be held in the Pavilion on Tuesday, the 5th October, 1920 at 5.30 p.m. to receive the Statement of Accounts, to elect officers for the ensuing year and for the transaction of any General Business, e.g. the issue of new Debentures of \$50 each up to a total sum of \$50,000 bearing interest at 5 per cent. per annum redeemable after five years by annual drawings of say the value of not less than \$2,000, a larger amount if funds allow; with the money obtained by the above mentioned issue of debentures to erect a new two-storied pavilion.

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## BATTING AVERAGES 1919-1920.

BATSMAN.	Innings.	not out.	Total Runs.	Score.	Average.
1. E. J. R. Mitchell	26	3	831	102 not out.	36.15
2. C. Baker	23	5	537	83	29.83
3. E. W. Day	21	1	437	112	21.85
4. T. E. Pearce	13	0	278	65	21.38
5. A. B. Raworth	12	2	122	45 not out.	17.20
6. R. A. Brand	16	2	209	50	14.93
7. P. G. de Paravicini	14	3	143	29	11.52

## Under 10 Innings and over 4 Innings.

BATSMAN.	Innings.	not out.	Total Runs.	Score.	Average.
1. A. A. Claxton	5	1	321	125	80.25
2. R. H. B. Hancock	6	1	321	156	64.20
3. J. D. Humphreys	5	3	85	35	42.50
4. C. C. Stark	4	2	46	18	23.00
5. A. E. Wood	5	1	74	43	18.50
6. A. Burnie	8	2	103	31	17.16
7. R. A. Green	6	0	83	26	13.83
8. W. W. Mackenzie	6	1	64	27 not out.	12.80
9. R. P. Thurnfield	6	1	56	19	11.20
10. P. Jacka	5	2	29	3	9.66
11. F. Sutton	8	2	57	19 not out.	9.50
12. D. E. Donnelly	9	2	43	16	6.14
13. A. K. Mackenzie	4	0	12	6	3.00
14. J. Stalker	4	0	4	2	1.00
15. L. D. McNicoll	3	1	1	1 not out.	0.33

## BOWLING AVERAGES 1919-1920.

BOWLER.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Average.
1. E. W. Day	2014	42	728	51	14.23
2. R. A. Brand	1702	18	635	38	16.71
3. D. E. Donnelly	2031	28	809	29	27.80
4. T. E. Pearce	261	3	150	3	50.00

## Under 10 Innings and over 4 Innings.

BOWLER.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Average.
1. J. Stalker	19	1	84	7	12.00
2. A. Burnie	333	4	139	7	19.86
3. E. G. Lamert	35	3	163	8	20.38
4. J. D. Humphreys	45	2	223	10	22.30
5. P. G. de Paravicini	21	1	93	3	31.00
6. A. B. Raworth	14	0	73	1	73.00

## LITTLE WARS.

HOW THEY GROW.

CHIEF OF STAFF'S WARNING.

A grave warning about Britain's "little wars" is conveyed by Field-Marshal Sir Henry Wilson, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, in a memorandum dated December 1, 1919, contained in a Blue Book issued respecting British operations last year in North Russia.

"There is," writes Sir Henry, "one great lesson to be learned from the history of the campaign. It began with the landing of 150 marines at Murmansk in April, 1918. These were followed by 370 more at the end of May, which were in turn reinforced by 600 infantry and machine-gunners on June 23. From that time onwards demands for reinforcements followed each other without intermission, and our commitments steadily grew until the British contingent numbered 18,400.

"The Mesopotamian campaign started with the despatch of two brigades and ultimately absorbed nearly 900,000 men. The six divisions with which we entered upon the great war in France and Belgium swelled to 63 before victory was achieved.

"I think the moral of this is easy to point. It is that once a military force is involved in operations on land it is almost impossible to limit the magnitude of its commitments. In the present state of world chaos it will surely be wise to bear this principle in mind, for we may expect to receive continual appeals for troops, even a company or two, from every part of three continents, and the temptation to comply will often be difficult to resist.

"Therefore, I venture to urge that no such requests outside the British Empire may be acceded to by the Government without the fullest and most careful consideration of the larger obligations which such compliance may ultimately involve.

"The outstanding feature of this year's operations [1919] has been the difficulty imposed on the military authorities, both in the theatres of operations and at home, by the absence of any clearly defined policy on the part of the Allied Governments. The difficulties of the Entente in formulating a 'Russian' policy have proved insurmountable, since in no Allied country has there been a sufficient weight of public opinion to justify armed intervention against the Bolsheviks on a decisive scale, with the inevitable result that military operations have lacked cohesion and purpose."

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